

never looked into a book with him in my life. I have not so much as seen the face of him this week; and don't care a louse if I never see it again.'

"Stanhope--'My dry-nurse never desires any thing of me that is not reasonable, and for my own good, and, therefore, I like to be with him.'

"Englishman--'Very sententious and edifying, upon my word! at this rate you will be reckoned a very good young man.'

"Stanhope--'Why, that will do me no harm.'

"Englishman--'Will you be with us tomorrow in the evening then? We shall be ten with you; and I have got some excellent good wine; and we'll be very merry.'

"Stanhope--'I am very much obliged to you, but I am engaged for the evening, tomorrow; first, at Cardinal Albanis; and then to sup at the Venetian Ambassadors's.'

"Englishman--'How the devil can you like being always with these foreigners? I never go amongst them, with all their formalities and ceremonies. I am never easy in company with them, and I don't know why, but I am ashamed.'

"Stanhope--'I am neither ashamed nor afraid; I am very easy with them; they are very easy with me; I get the language and I see their character, by conversing with; and that is what we are sent abroad for, is it not?'

"Englishman--'I hate your modest women's company; your women of fashion as they call 'em; I don't know what to say to them for